GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1690
ANSWERED ON:01.08.2003
HANDLOOM WORKERS
BIR SING MAHATO;MADAN PRASAD JAISWAL

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of handloom weavers in each State of the country;

(b) the facilities given to these handloom weavers during 2001-2002, 2002-2003, State-wise; and

(c) the amount released to each State for this purpose during the above period?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI BASANAGOUDA R. PATIL (YATNAL)

(a) As per the joint census of handlooms & powerlooms conducted during 1995 - 96, there were 65.51 lakh persons engaged in the handloom weaving and its associated activities in the country. State-wise details is given at Annexure-I.

(b) and (c) During the year 2001-02, Government of India had implemented a number of Schemes for the overall development of handloom sector and the welfare of the handloom weavers throughout the country, including:

1. Deen Dayal Hathkargha Protsahan Yojana

2. Mill Gate Price Scheme

3. Setting up of Marketing Complexes

4. Publicity and Exhibition Scheme

5. Development of Exportable Products and their Marketing
6. Project Package Scheme

7 Handloom Development Centres/Quality Dyeing Centres

8. Market Development Assistance Scheme

9. Workshed-cum-Housing Scheme
10. Health Package Scheme
11. Group Insurance Scheme
12. Thrift Fund Scheme
13. Setting up of Enforcement Machinery
14. National Centre for Textile Design

The above schemes were continued during 2002-03 in the form of the following Schemes;

1) Design Development & Training Programme
2) Marketing Promotion Programme
3) Mill Gate Price Scheme
4) Deen Dayal Hathkarga Prothsahan Yojana
5) Workshed-cum- Housing Scheme
6) Weavers Welfare Scheme
7) Handloom Export Scheme
8) Implementation of Handlooms (Reservation of Articles for Production) Act, 1985.

A sum of Rs.8802.10 lakh and Rs.10875.00 lakh were released to various State Governments during 2001-02 and 2002-03 respectively for the implementation of the above schemes. A statement showing the State-wise releases during 2001-02 and 2002-03 is given at Annexure-II.

ANNEXURE-I REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No.1690 FOR AN ON 01.08.2003

STATE-WISE DETAILS OF HANDLOOM WEAVERS ENGAGED IN WEAVING AND ASSOCIATED ACTIVITIES

S.No Name of the State No. of persons engaged in Weaving and asssociated Activities

1 Andhra Pradesh 490616
2 Arunachal Pradesh 53473
3 Assam 2322268
4 Bihar 110732
5 Chattisgarh 28362
6 Delhi 6708
7 Goa 25
8 Gujarat 57936
9 Haryana 22810
10 Himachal Pradesh 65099
11 Jammu & Kashmir 51847
12 Jharkhand 56975
13 Karnataka 177562
14 Kerala 63153
15 Madhya Pradesh 27744
16 Maharashtra 80901
17 Manipur 462087
18 Meghalaya # #
19 Mizoram # #
20 Nagaland 126228
21 Orissa 246782
22 Pondicherry 7369
23 Punjab 13160
24 Rajasthan 71915
25 Sikkim 1228
26 Tamil Nadu 607675
27 Tripura 291761
28 Uttar Pradesh 401362
29 Uttaranchal 19322
30 West Bengal 686254

Total All India 6551354

Data not received from Meghalaya and Mizoram

ANNEXURE-II REFERRED TO IN THE REPLY TO PART (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1690 FOR ANSWER ON 01.08.2003

Details of Releases made during 2001-02 & 2002-03 to various States under Different Handloom Schemes

(Rs. in lakhs)

S. No. Name of the State Financial Assistance Released

2001 - 2002 2002 - 2003

1 Andhra Pradesh 1613.93 1320.94
2 Arunachal Pradesh 498.67 66.92
3 Assam 950.85 1133.42
4 Bihar 6.50 6.25

5	Chhattisgarh	61.90	89.71
6	Delhi	23.68	164.02
7	Goa	0.00	0.00
8	Gujarat	241.80	113.01
9	Haryana	44.04	17.57
10	Himachal Pradesh	99.78	239.82
11	Jammu & Kashmir	66.11	127.96
12	Jharkhand	0.00	8.60
13	Karnataka	480.64	498.57
14	Kerala	926.24	1197.77
15	Madhya Pradesh	96.72	114.20
16	Maharashtra	94.26	124.06
17	Manipur	25.04	608.57
18	Meghalaya	12.74	19.73
19	Mizoram	11.00	53.98
20	Nagaland	377.20	163.88
21	Orissa	57.79	159.99
22	Pondicherry	1.23	0.00
23	Punjab	29.38	43.41
24	Rajasthan	66.01	86.53
25	Sikkim	3.99	2.97
26	Tamil Nadu	2104.99	3020.54
27	Tripura	25.97	27.35
28	Uttar Pradesh	769.86	985.24
29	Uttaranchal	40.25	79.22
30	West Bengal	71.53	401.67
	Total	8802.10	10875.90